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RESPONSE TO INFORMALITY RE PAYMENT FEE

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This is in response to the Informality Re Payment Fee mailed January 9, 2004. The document states that the amendment is considered incomplete in that the funds in Deposit Account No. 11-0224 are insufficient to cover the entire fee due. Document continues that is given the remainder of the set period for response, or one month from the date of this letter, whichever is longer, within which to remit the fee of \$ 55.00.

Applicant is submitting herewith the one month late fee for response of the Office Action mailed July 23, 2003.

Acceptance of the payment is request.

Respectfully submitted,

Hanns Rump et al.

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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16, and 1.17, after a mailing of a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.18 or any additional fees which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Acct. No.11-0224. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. If and only if account funds should be insufficient, immediately contact our associate, Lisa Zumwalt, at (703)415-0579, who will pay immediately to avoid deprivation of rights.

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A signature or signatures required for the above recited document(s) is (are) provided herebelow. Such signature(s) also provide(s) ratification for any required signature appearing to be defective in the above recited document(s).

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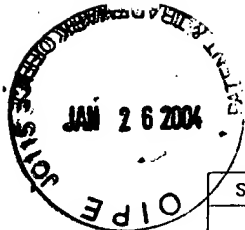
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INFORMALITY RE PAYMENT OF FEE

The informality regarding the payment of the fee in connection with ☐ the original filing fee ☐ the amendment filed 11/28/03 is indicated below.

A. FEE DUE

- ☒ The amendment is considered incomplete in that the funds in Deposit Account No. 11-0224 are insufficient to cover the entire fee due. The balance is due within the period set below.
- ☐ The amendment is considered an incomplete response, in that payment of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient to cover the claims as shown in the attached Patent Application Fee Determination Record. Remittance is due within the period set below.
- ☐ The amendment has not been entered, since applicant has failed to remit (or authorize charge to a Deposit Account) the fee as indicated on the attached Patent Application Fee Determination Record. Remittance or authorization is due within the period set below.
- ☐ The filing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ submitted in this application is insufficient.  
A balance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is due for additional claims.
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APPLICANT IS GIVEN THE REMAINDER OF THE SET PERIOD FOR RESPONSE,  
OR ONE (1) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER, WHICHEVER IS LONGER,  
WITHIN WHICH TO REMIT THE FEE OF \$ 55.00.

B. EXCESS PAYMENT:

- ☐ It is noted that payment of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is in excess of the amount necessary to cover the claims now in the application. See the attached Patent Application Fee Determination Record.

This matter of refund or credit to your account is being referred to the Finance Officer, for his consideration.

David Smith  
CLERK OF GROUP